REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks presented herein.

The claims in the application are claims 1 to 8, no other claims having been presented.

Claims 1 to 8 were rejected under 35 USC 112 second paragraph as being indefinite since the Examiner was of the opinion that there was no antecedent basis for "the overhead product". Claim 2 was objected to as being in improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter as the Examiner was of the opinion that the neutralization number was outside the claimed range of claim 1 upon which it is dependent.

Applicants respectfully traverse these grounds of rejection since it is believed that the amended claims properly define the invention, those that comply with 35 USC 112. Claim 1 has now been amended to use the terminology set forth in lines 23-24, page 4 of the specification, wherein the neutralization number of the high boilers is indicated as not being below 2 mg of KOH/g and claim 2 is properly dependent thereon since the range is now set forth as being 2-5 which falls within the scope of not below 2 mg. In addition, the term "the" has been deleted from claim1 and, therefore, there is proper antecedent basis for the terms. Therefore, withdrawal of this ground of rejection is requested. In

view of the amendments to the claims and the fact that there is no pertinent prior art, it is believed that the claims clearly point Applicants' patentable contribution and favorable reconsideration of the application is requested.

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